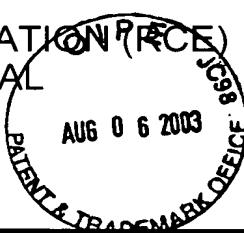


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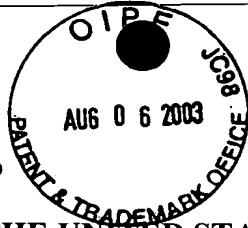
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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2003. A check for the extension fee in the amount of \$110.00 is attached. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed simultaneously herewith. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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